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UNITED KINGDOM PROPOSAL TO EXPORT CHEMICALS TO POLAND

May 11th, 1959

Present:

Belgium (Luxembourg), Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan,

Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States.

References:

COCOM 3454, 3462, 3480, 3481, 3506.

The United States Delegate recalled that on April 27th the United Kingdom Delegate had raised the question of different treatment of various materials caught by Atomic Energy List Item 1 under United States legislation (COCOM 3506, paragraph 4). The Delegate confirmed that lists drawn up pursuant to this legislation enabled the United States to approve exceptions to the Sino-Soviet Bloc of some of these materials but not for the export of certain others. Full details could be provided if the United Kingdom Delegation desired them. The items involved for which the United States legislation permits the consideration of exceptions were placed in this category because, in addition to highly strategic uses, the items had historic uses in the ceramics industry, as colouring agents and analytical chemical reagents.